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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, National Photographic
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VIA: Deputy Director, NFAC

FROM: [REDACTED]
National Intelligence Officer for China

SUBJECT: Memorandum of Appreciation for NPIC
Briefing

1. I would like to express my appreciation for the outstanding briefing I received on March 27th from members of the NPIC staff on strategic and conventional forces relating to China. The briefing, which lasted for three hours and involved NPIC personnel, covered the military situation in Indochina, Chinese strategic and conventional forces, and Soviet strategic and conventional forces stationed along the Sino-Soviet border. It enabled me to gain a much better understanding than I had previously possessed of the military factors involved in the Sino-Soviet relationship and in developments in Indochina. I found that the analysts providing the briefing were very well informed and perceptive, as well as being highly motivated.

2. This briefing was arranged by [REDACTED] and I hope that you will inform him of my appreciation and high regard. I also hope that my thanks may be passed to the analysts who took part.

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